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BATMAN

WITH
ROBIN
-THE BOY WONDER-



THE WHOLE UNDERWORLD KNOWS HOW THE PENGUIN USES HIS BIRDS TO PLAN HIS PLUNDER COUPS. BUT CAN YOU IMAGINE THE PENGUIN WITHOUT BIRD CRIMES? THIS SURPRISING TWIST TAKES PLACE WHEN THE PENGUIN DEEMS IT WISE THAT BIRDS OF A FEATHER SHOULD NOT FLOCK TOGETHER! YES, HE DECIDES TO BE WARY OF FOWL, BUT FORGETS TO BE WARY OF FATE! AND HE ALSO FORGETS ABOUT TWO OTHER BIRDS - A ROBIN AND A BAT-MAN, IN THE AMAZING CASE OF...

"THE FOWLS OF FATE!"



ON AN INSPECTION TOUR OF THE STATE PRISON, BATMAN AND ROBIN, THE BOY WONDER, STOP BEFORE THE CELL OF AN OLD ENEMY...

HI, PENGUIN!

WHY SO GLUM?

BAH! I HATE BEING COOPED UP IN A CAGE LIKE A... A BIRD!



LATER, THE PENGUIN PONDER'S OVER THOSE WORDS.

THEY'RE RIGHT: IT'S ALWAYS BEEN MY THEORY THAT BIRDS COULD HELP ME COMMIT PERFECT CRIMES. YET...



YOU'RE IN JAIL BECAUSE OF YOUR BIRD CRIMES! TAKE A TIP FROM US—MEND YOUR WAYS!



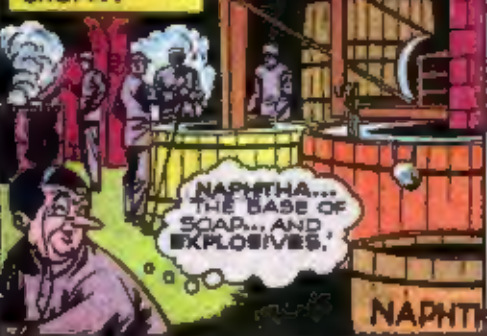
EVERY TIME I PLAN BIRD CRIMES, I LAND IN JAIL! IRONICALLY, BIRDS HAVE BECOME MY NEMESIS! SO—FROM NOW ON I'LL PLAN CRIMES—WITHOUT BIRDS!

TWO NIGHTS LATER, THE DROLL CONVICT BLASTS HIS WAY OUT...



HAW! FOR ONCE, I'VE ESCAPED PRISON WITHOUT USING BIRDS! A NEW LIFE OPENING FOR ME! IT'S AN OMEN!

NEXT DAY... THE PENGUIN IS ASSIGNED TO THE PRISON'S SOAP MAKING SHOP...



NAPHTHA... THE BASE OF SOAP... AND EXPLOSIVES.

NAPHTHA

LATER... IN THE SECRET BATCAVE, BRUCE WAYNE AND HIS YOUNG WARD, DICK GRAYSON, DON THEIR COLORFUL ACTION COSTUMES...

THE LATEST RADIO REPORT IS THAT THE PENGUIN WAS SEEN IN CHINATOWN.

I WONDER WHAT KIND OF A PLOT THAT BIRD IS HATCHING THIS TIME?

IN THE ALLEYWAYS OF GOTHAM CITY'S CHINATOWN, THE PENGUIN AND HIRELINGS ARE ON THE LOOSE.

Y'MEAN, BACK HERE THERE'S A CHINESE TEMPLE WITH A JADE DRAGON WITH RUBY EYES?

YES, AND I'M ALMOST TEMPTED TO USE A BIRD, LIKE A MASPIE OR CROW, TO STEAL THOSE EYES! BUT I WON'T! I PROMISED MYSELF—NO BIRDS!

EXECUTING A CLEVER RUSE, THE PENGUIN FLINGS A WHITE CLOTH AT THE DOOR OF THE DRAGON TEMPLE... AND...

AIEE! LOOK...WHITE!

WHO DARES PROFANE THE TEMPLE ENTRANCE WITH CLOTHS OF WHITE... THE CHINESE FUNERAL COLOR!?

THEN, WITH THE GUARDS' ATTENTION DISTRACTED...

BONG!

THE CLUMSY APE! HE FELL AGAINST THE GONG! LET'S GET THOSE RUBIES—QUICKLY.

THE PEAL OF THE GONG CARRIES TO THE STREET, WHERE THE BATMOBILE IS CRUISING...

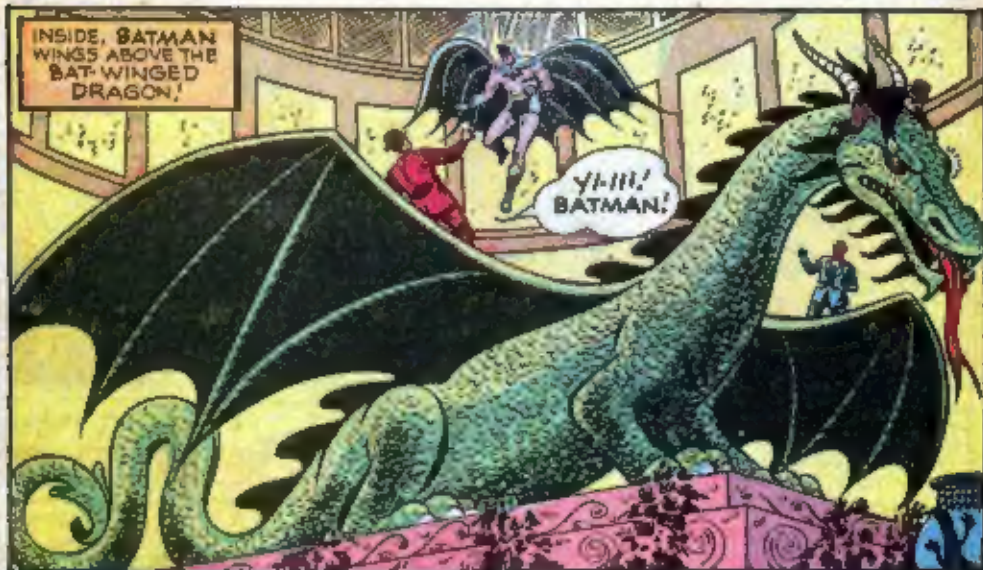
BONG!

LISTEN, ROBIN... THAT ALARM GONG! IT'S COMING FROM THE DRAGON TEMPLE WE ONCE VISITED.

MAYBE THE PENGUIN...

SEEING THE INERT GUARDS, THE DYNAMIC DUO SCALES THE WINGED ROOF OF THE TEMPLE LIKE A PAIR OF JUNGLE CATS...

I ALWAYS BELIEVE IN MAKING A SURPRISE ENTRANCE!





LATER... IN THE PENGUIN'S HIDEOUT...

ODD! I DELIBERATELY PLAN A CRIME WITHOUT BIRDS, YET BIRDS SPOILED MY CRIME! DOES FATE MEAN FOR ME TO BE RUINED BY BIRDS ALWAYS? HMM... I MUST OUTWIT FATE SOMEHOW...



LATER... THE PENGUIN VISITS A CRIMINAL HANGOUT...

BUT, PENGUIN, YOU CAN'T AVOID BIRDS! THEY'RE EVERYWHERE!

NOT ALWAYS! BIRDS FLY SOUTH FOR THE WINTER - THEY HATE THE COLD - SO WE'RE GOING WHERE IT'S WINTER WHEN IT'S SUMMER HERE!



MEANWHILE...

WHAT'S OUR NEXT MOVE?

I RE- COGNIZED ONE OF THE PENGUIN'S MOB; IT WAS DUKE MALLIN! IF WE CAN LOCATE HIS ROOMS...



ONE HOUR LATER... DUKE'S ROOMING HOUSE IS TRACKED DOWN...

YEAH... I SEEN MR. MALLIN GO OUT JUST BEFORE YOU CAME; HE WAS CARRYIN' HIS OVERCOAT!

OVERCOAT... IN THIS HOT SUMMER WEATHER?



MEANWHILE... IN A REFRIGERATION PLANT WHERE SYNTHETIC ICE IS MADE...

HERE COMES DODDS WITH OUR PAYROLL IN HIS BRIEFCASE!



AMMONIA GAS (COUGH)

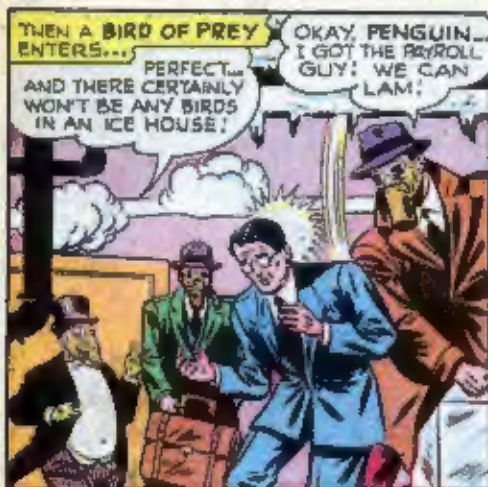
BOOM!

OUT... GOTTA GET OUT...

SUDDENLY A SMALL BOMB EXPLODES ON THE AMMONIA PIPES USED IN MAKING ARTIFICIAL ICE AND...



AGGHH! (CHOKES)



YOU GET THE PENGUIN'S
STOOGES, ROBIN...
I'LL GET FUDGY!

EGAD... BATMAN'S
AFTER ME! AH...
A DOOR! I'LL JUST
OPEN IT AND...

ABRUPTLY—A
SOUTH POLE
SURPRISE!

OOOPS—
PENGUINS!

BIRDS AGAIN... IN AN ICE
HOUSE, OF ALL PLACES! IF
THEY HADN'T TRIPPED ME,
I'D STILL HAVE THE LOOT.
NOW IT'S TOO RISKY TO
GET IT—BATMAN'S
RIGHT BEHIND!

AFTERWARD, BATMAN QUESTIONS
THE PLANT OWNER...

AT POLICE HEAD-
QUARTERS THE
PENGUIN'S HIRELINGS
ARE QUESTIONED...

A MOMENT
LATER...

PENGUINS...
BUT THE
PENGUIN I WANT
IS GONE... WITH-
OUT THE
PAYROLL.

BUT WHY
ARE THE
PENGUINS
HERE?

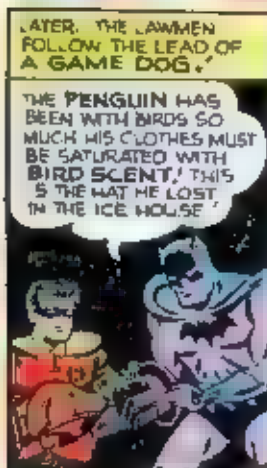
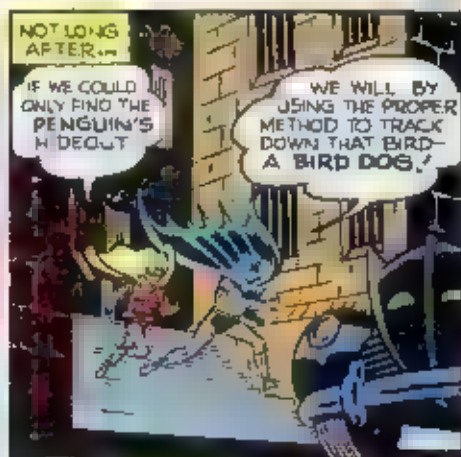
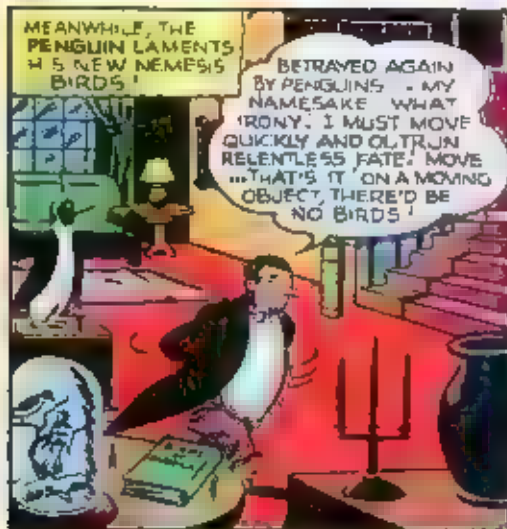
THE HOT WEATHER
MADE THEM ILL, SO THE
ZOO PEOPLE THOUGHT
A FEW DAYS IN AN ICE
HOUSE WOULD PROVIDE
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TEMPERATURE.

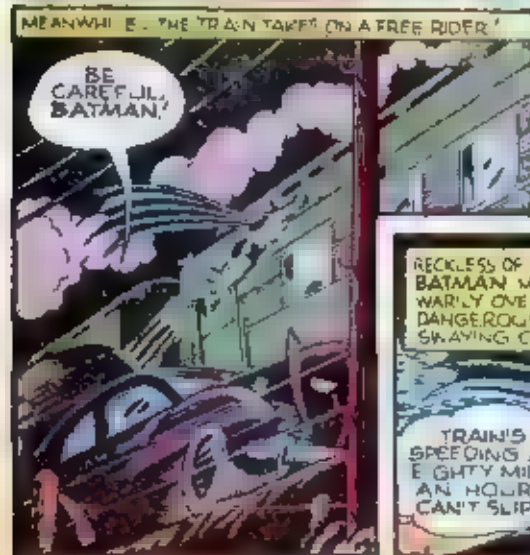
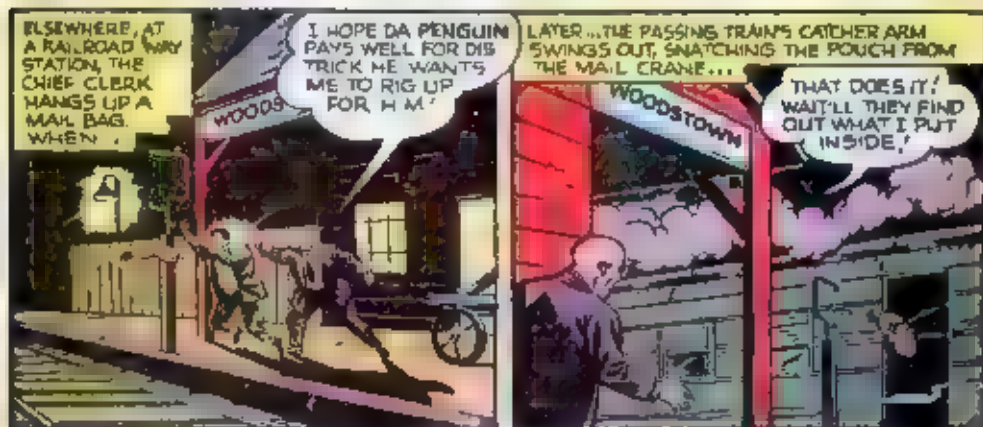
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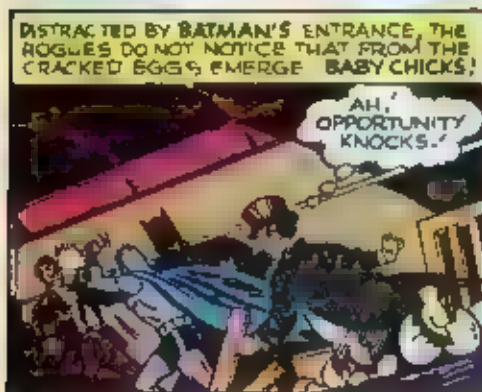
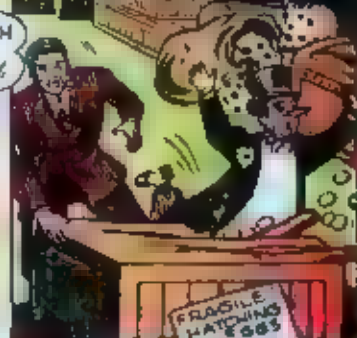
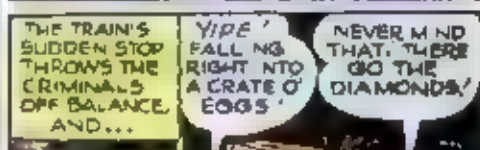
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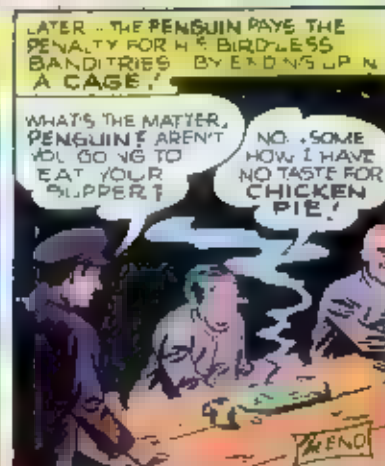
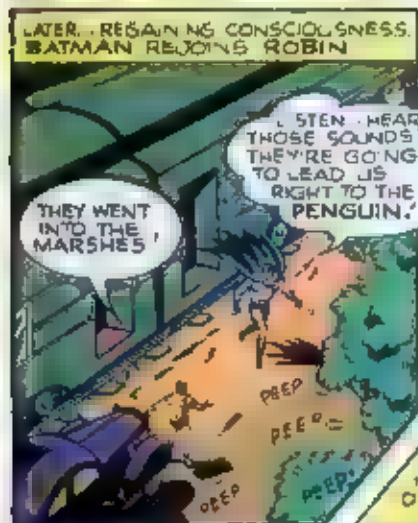
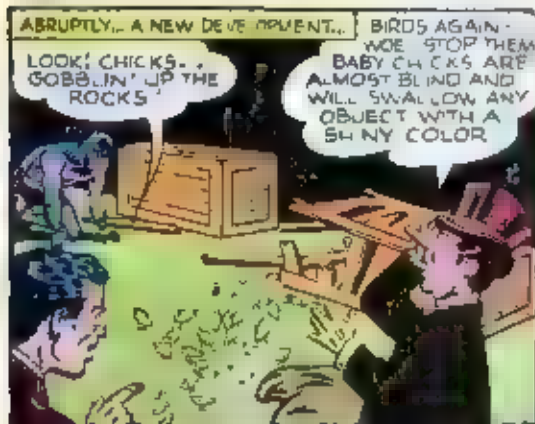
WE
DON'T
KNOW...

HE ALWAYS
MET US SOME-
WHERE ELSE...









BATMAN

WITH
ROBIN

-THE BOY WONDER-

by
BOB KANE

DEEP
UNDER
THE
SURFACE OF
GOTHAM CITY IS A
MAMMOTH CAVE WHICH
IS KNOWN BUT TO TWO
PEOPLE - BATMAN AND
ROBIN! FOR THIS IS THE
BATMAN'S SUBTERRANEAN
RETREAT - THE
BATCAVE! IT IS THE
BATCAVE THAT PROVIDES
SECRET SHELTER FOR THE
BATPLANE, BATMOBILE, A CRIM-
INOLOGICAL LABORATORY, AND
ALL THE OTHER CRIME-FIGHTING
TOOLS OF THE BATMAN! BUT
WHEN A STRANGER ENTERS THE
BATCAVE... AND WHEN THIS ENEMY
WOULD DESTROY BATMAN'S CAREER...
THEN FATE CONSPIRES TO PROTECT
"THE 1,000 SECRETS
OF THE BATCAVE!"

BAT-
SIGNAL

NIGHT FALLS OVER GOTHAM CITY AND SUDDENLY THE AIR IS SPLT WITH SIREN WAILS AND GUN SHOTS... WOLF BRANDO PUBLIC ENEMY NUMBER ONE HAS BROKEN TA!

HERE SA GOOD-BYE PRESENT COPPER!

SOON AFTER, WOLF BRANDO COMMANDEERS A CAR ..

PLEASE...I'M A DOCTOR ..I'M HURRYING TO PERFORM AN EMERGENCY OPERATION... MY PATIENT MAY DIE ... OHHH!

SHADDUP

WHEN A MOTOR-CYCLE POLICEMAN PICKS UP BRANDO'S TRAIL THE KILLER DELIBERATELY RAMS THE LAWMAN!

YOU'LL BE A DEAD HERD NOW, COPPER

CRASH!

BUT IN SPITE OF HIS INJURIES THE GALLANT COP SECRETLY FOLLOWS WOLF BRANDO TO A SUBURBAN HOME...

THERE HE GOES...INTO THE WAYNE HOUSE! I'VE GOT TO GET OUT AN ALARM - FAST!

INSIDE THE HOUSE AS YOUNG DICK GRAYSON, AL AS ROBIN THE BOY WONDER IS BENT OVER HIS HOMEWORK...

JUST THIS KID AROUND! WHAT LUCK! I KIN HIDE OUT HERE.

THE BOY SLUMPS, FALLS AGAINST BRANDO AND THRUSTS HIM AGAINST A HUGE GRANDFATHER CLOCK, AND...

HEH? IT OPENED! IT'S REALLY A SECRET DOOR... WITH STEPS BEHIND IT!

CLICK!



UPON EXPLORING THE STAIRS WOLF BRANDO FINDS HIMSELF IN A NATURAL MAMMOTH CAVERN...

WHAT KIND O' PLACE IS THIS? THERE'S A SCIENCE LAB DOWN HERE. HEY- THERE'S A PICTURE... OF BATMAN AND ROBIN.

AND THERE'S THE BATPLANE AND THE BATMOBILE! OH-H... I GET IT NOW! I FOUND WHAT EVERY TRIGGER-MAN HAS BEEN LOOKIN' FOR, YEAH... I FOUND BATMAN'S HIDEOUT!

MEANWHILE AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS, BRUCE WAYNE, SECRETLY THE BATMAN, IS VISITING HIS OLD FRIEND COMMISSIONER GORDON...

HOW ARE THINGS, BRUCE?

OH-H... I'VE GOT PROBLEMS. ONE OF MY POLO PONY'S IS OFF HIS FEED. QUITE ANNOYING. YOU KNOW.

HMM-H. RICH MAN'S TROUBLES! EH... WHAT'S UP, REILLY?

ONE OF OUR BOYS SPOTTED WOLF BRANDO. HE WAS SEEN SNEAKING INTO MR. WAYNE'S HOUSE.

MY HOUSE?

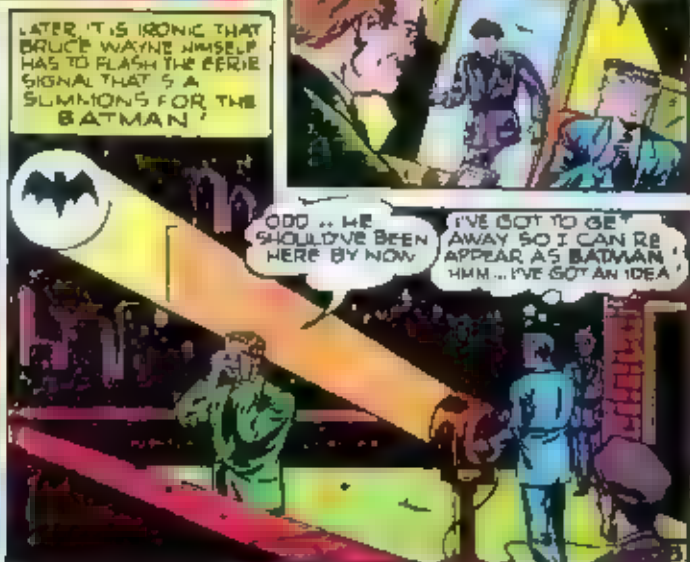
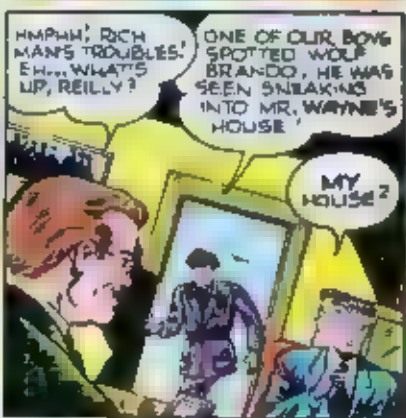
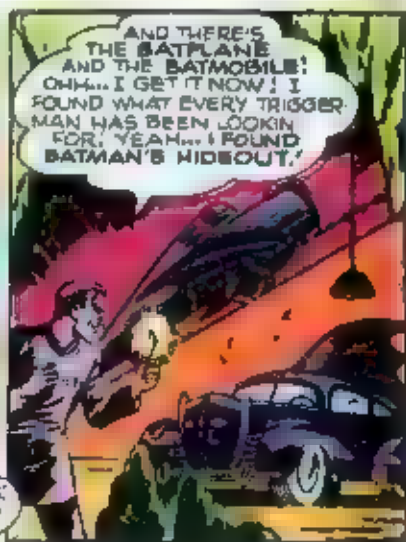
COME ON, BRUCE... TO THE ROOF YOU CAN HELP ME PAGE SOMEONE WHO CAN HELP US CAPTURE WOLF BRANDO... THE BATMAN!

LATER, IT IS IRONIC THAT BRUCE WAYNE HIMSELF HAS TO FLASH THE BEEBIE SIGNAL THAT'S A SUMMONS FOR THE BATMAN!

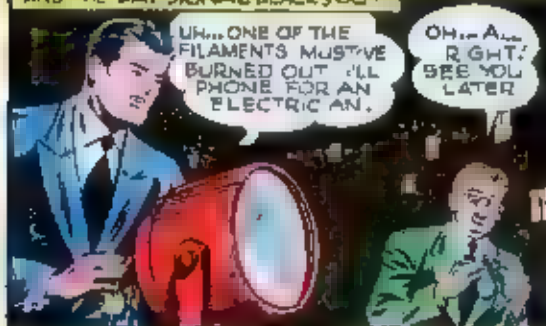
BATMAN!!! BUT I'M BATMAN! WHAT A SPOT.

ODD... HE SHOULD'VE BEEN HERE BY NOW.

I'VE GOT TO GET AWAY SO I CAN RE-APPEAR AS BATMAN. HMM... I'VE GOT AN IDEA.



SURREPTITIOUSLY, BRUCE RIPS A SEARCHLIGHT WIRE- AND THE BAT-SIGNAL BLACKS OUT



UH... ONE OF THE FILAMENTS MUST'VE BURNED OUT 'LL PHONE FOR AN ELECTRIC AN.

OH... A... RIGHT! SEE YOU LATER

LATER... AFTER A QUICK EXPLANATION... A POLICE CORDON SURROUNDS THE WAYNE HOME!



WE SEARCHED THE HOUSE S R BUT THERE'S NOBODY IN IT

HMM BRANDO MUST BE HIDING SOMEWHERE. WE'LL SEARCH THE GROUNDS.

UNDER COVER OF DARKNESS, BRUCE WAYNE SHEDS HIS PLAY BOY ROLE AND ASSUMES THE MANTLE OF -



BATMAN! I THOUGHT YOU'D NEVER GET HERE

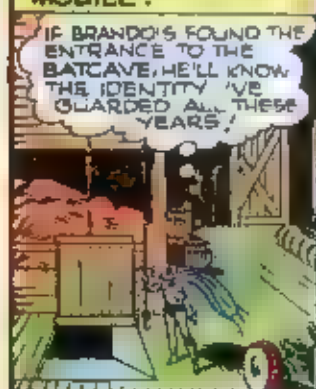
NEITHER D'D I!

AS FLASHLIGHTS PROBE THE DARKNESS, BATMAN MERGES WITH THE SHADOWS.



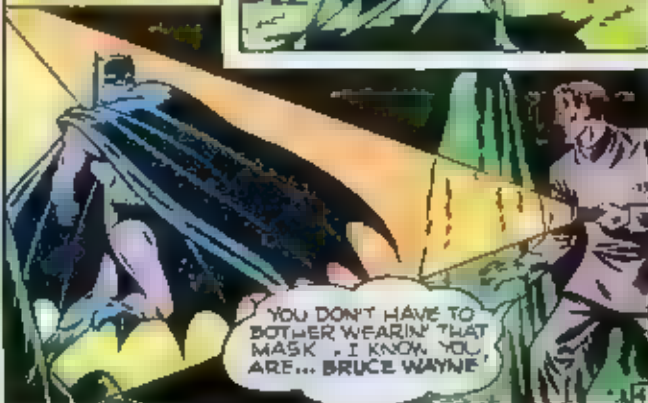
DICK WAS INSIDE THE HOUSE. SOMETHING'S WRONG. AND IF BRANDO'S NOT HIDING ABOVE GROUND, HE MAY BE BELOW... IN THE BATCAVE!

UNOBSERVED, THE CAPED MANHUNTER SLIPS INTO AN OLD BARN THAT SERVES AS THE SECRET EXIT FOR THE BATPLANE AND BAT-MOBILE.



IF BRANDO'S FOUND THE ENTRANCE TO THE BATCAVE, HE'LL KNOW THE IDENTITY 'VE GUARDED ALL THESE YEARS!

DOWN THE RAMP HE RACES TO A SUBTERRANEAN GROTTO... WHEN S...D...D...N...LY...



YOU DON'T HAVE TO BOTHER WEARIN' THAT MASK. I KNOW YOU ARE... BRUCE WAYNE!



AND NOW BATMAN FACES THE CRIMINAL WHO HAS STUMBLERD UPON ONE OF THE MOST CLOSELY GUARDED SECRETS IN THE WORLD!

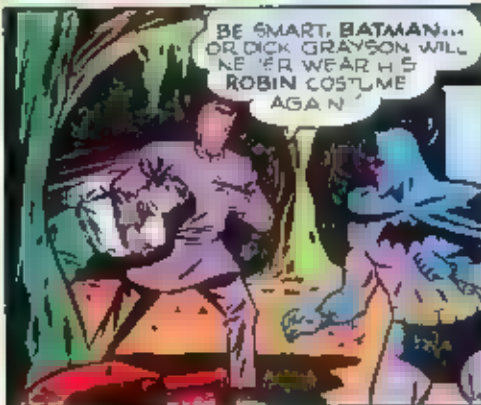
WELL, WELL... WHO'D HAVE THOUGHT THE MUCH PHOTOGRAPHED PLAYBOY WAS REALLY BATMAN ALL THE TIME YOU FOOLED EVERYBODY

ALL RIGHT... SO YOU KNOW... NOW WHAT?



I WANT YOUR BATMAN COSTUME BY DISGUISSING MYSELF AS YOU. I CAN PASS THE COPS! DO THAT FOR ME AND I'LL KEEP YOUR SECRET!

I NEVER MAKE DEALS WITH CRIMINALS. YOU'RE A KILLER, AND I'M BRINGING YOU IN, EVEN IF YOU DO REVEAL MY IDENTITY!



BE SMART, BATMAN... OR DICK GRAYSON WILL NEVER WEAR HIS ROBIN COSTUME AGAIN.

SUDDENLY, DICK USES A CLEVER STRATEGY BY LUNGING AGAINST THE MACHINE, USED FOR PROJECTING MICROFILM SLIDES FROM BATMAN'S CRIME FILE.



WHAT..?



AND BRANDO'S EYES ARE DISTRACTED BY THE BIZARRE FACE OF BATMAN'S OLD ENEMY- TWO-FACE!

UHH... THAT FACE



THIS IS ONE TIME I'M INDEBTED TO TWO-FACE!

WARY AS HIS VULPINE
NAMESAKE, WOLF
BRANDO TWISTS AWAY,
LOPING SWIFTLY INTO
THE LABYRINTH OF
'ROCK AND SHADOW.'

**YOU'LL
NEVER GET
ME!**

BRANDO KNOWS
WHO YOU ARE...
WHY WEAR
YOUR ROBIN
COSTUME?

THIS WILL PROBABLY BE OUR FINAL CASE...SO I WANT TO WEAR MY ROBIN SUIT FOR THE LAST TIME... BEFORE I PUT IT IN MOTHBALLS'

HE CAN'T GO ABOVE
BECAUSE OF THE POLICE.
WE'LL STAY BELOW.
AND WE'LL GET
H.M.

THEN, IN THE CONFINES OF THE BAT-
CAVE BEGINS A BRIM GAME OF
HIDE AND SEEK, FOR A KILLER
MUST BE FOUND...

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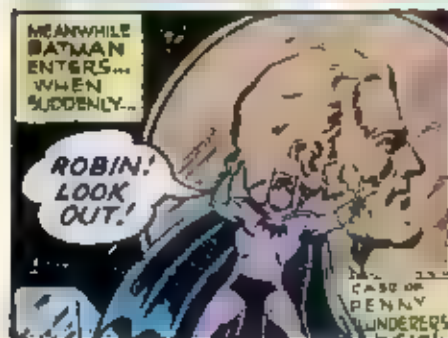
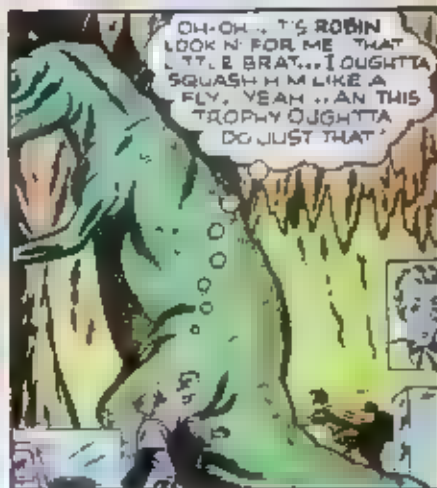
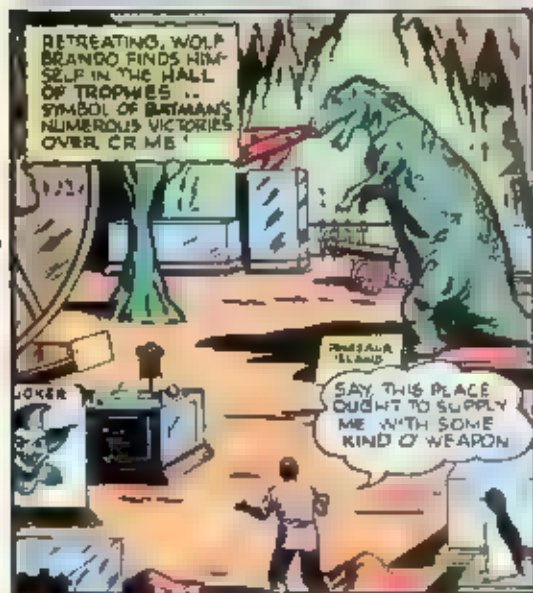
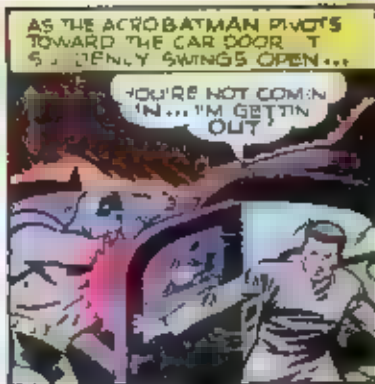
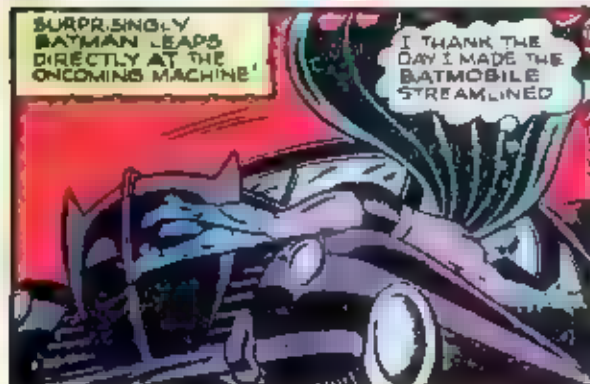
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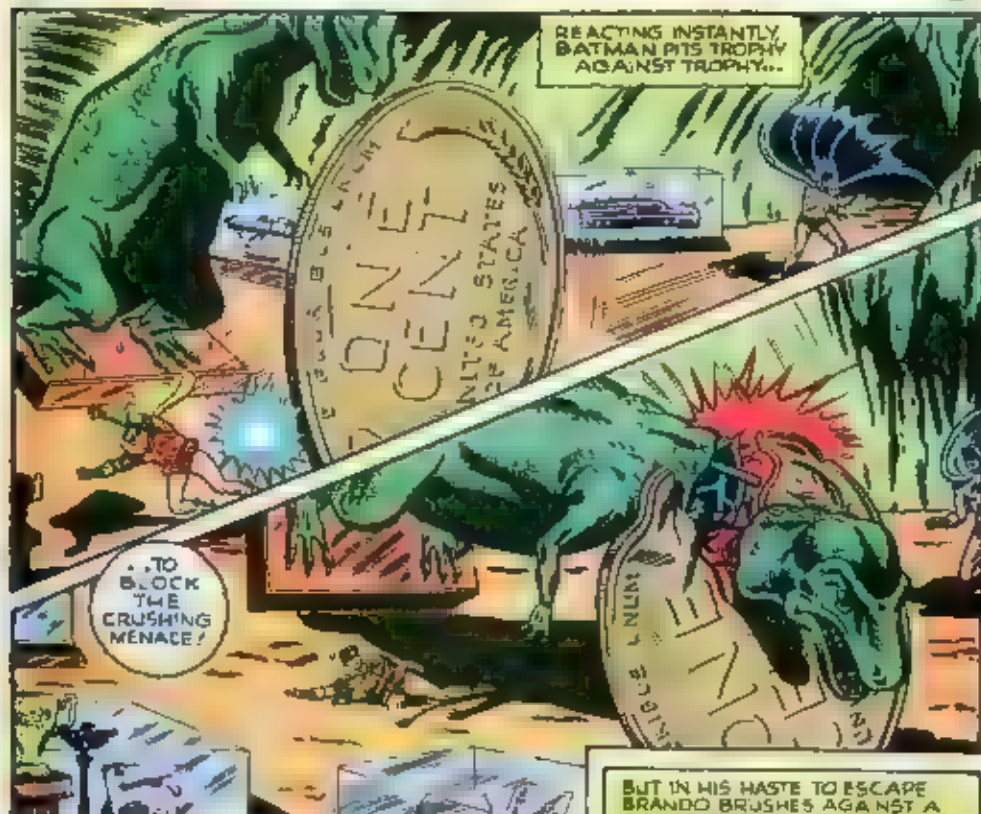
THE BEST PLAN FOR US
TO SPLIT UP. WE'LL COVER
MORE TERRITORY QUICKER
'LL SEARCH THE GARAGE
... YOU TRY THE TROPHY
ROOM' GOOD
LUCK!

CHECK!

WARLY BATMAN
ENTERS WHEN
SUDDENLY THE
BATMOBILE
LIKE A ROBOT
GONE BERSERK
RUSHES AT ITS
INVENTOR!

HAW! HAW
WHAT A LAUGH
BATMAN'S GONNA
BE RUN OVER BY
HIS OWN
BATMOBILE.





REACTING INSTANTLY
BATMAN PITS TROPHY
AGAINST TROPHY...

TO BLOCK
THE
CRUSHING
MENACE!

YOU KNOW SOMETHING
- I'M PRETTY SORE
AT THAT DINO-SAUJ!

THE FACT THAT YOU'RE
STILL ABLE TO RUN
MEANS YOU'RE NOT
HURT! NOW...LET'S
FIND THAT KILLER!



MEANWHILE

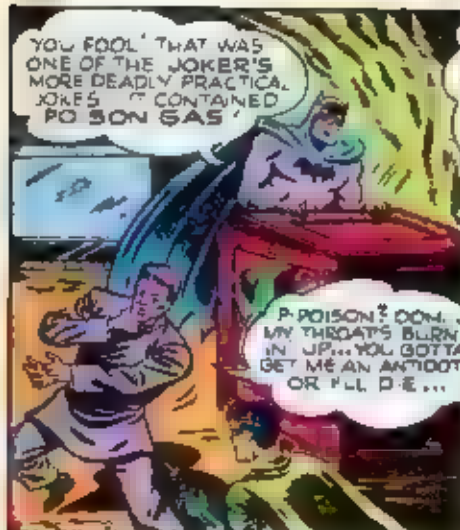
IF THIS WEAPON
WAS GOOD ENOUGH
FOR THE PENGUIN
IT OUGHTTA BE GOOD
ENOUGH FOR ME.



BUT IN HIS HASTE TO ESCAPE
BRANDO BRUSHES AGAINST A
SOUVENIR FROM BATMAN'S
PAST TRIUMPH OVER THE
JOKER. AND SUDDENLY...

YIIII-III! 'COUGH!
GAS!





YOU FOOL! THAT WAS ONE OF THE JOKER'S MORE DEADLY PRACTICAL JOKE'S... CONTAINED POISON GAS!

P-POISON? DOOM... MY THROATS BURN IN UP... YOU GOTTA GET ME AN ANTIDOTE OR I'LL DIE...

LET HIM DIE! HE'S A KILLER. YOU'D ONLY BE SAVING HIM FOR THE ELECTRIC CHAIR ANYWAY. WHY GIVE HIM THE CHANCE TO REVEAL YOUR DENTISTRY?

ROBIN, WE'VE ALWAYS FOLLOWED A MORAL CODE... WE MUST KEEP HIM ALIVE... EVEN THOUGH IT WILL MEAN THE FINISH OF BATMAN!



IRONICALLY BATMAN GETS OUT TO CREATE THE LIFE SAVING ANTIDOTE WHICH WILL ULTIMATELY MEAN HIS OWN DOOM!

AMMONIUM ACETATE PLOCARPINE METHYLENE BLUE



THEN, FINALLY... THE ANTIDOTE!

DRINK THIS! IT WILL SAVE YOU... FOR THE ELECTRIC CHAIR!

BUT AS BATMAN KNEELS... HE RECEIVES TREACHEROUS PAYMENT FOR HIS MEDICAL CARE!



HE'S FAINTED

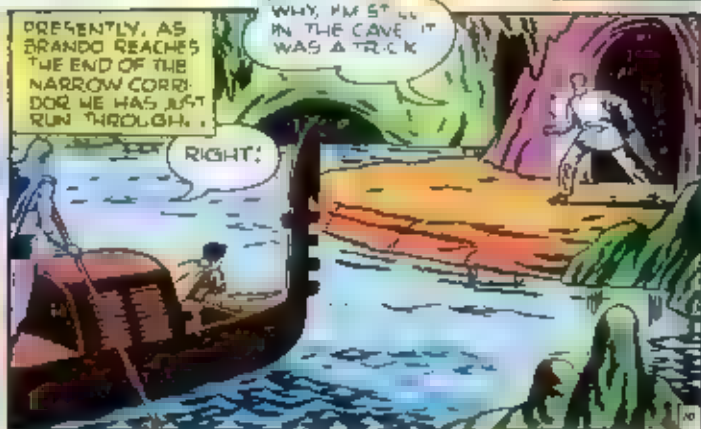
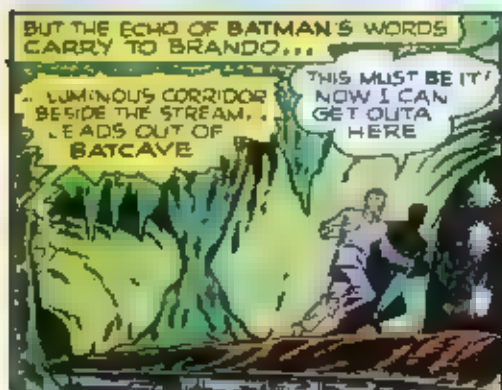
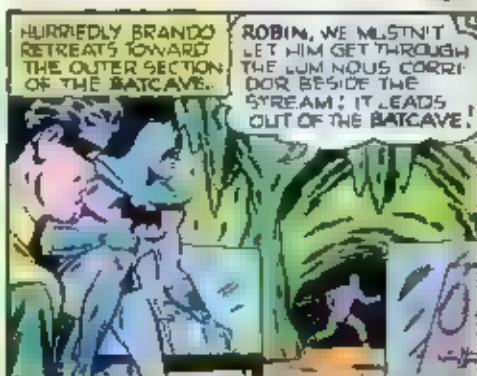
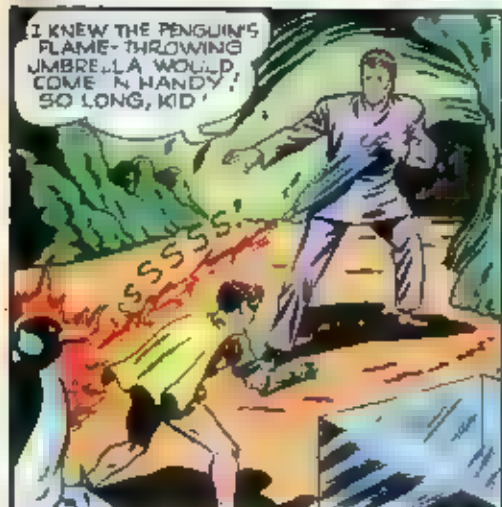
VIAL... THEN COLLAPSES.

PROBABLY FROM THE REACTION OF THE ANTIDOTE I'D BETTER CHECK HIS PULSE COUNT!

ORHH...

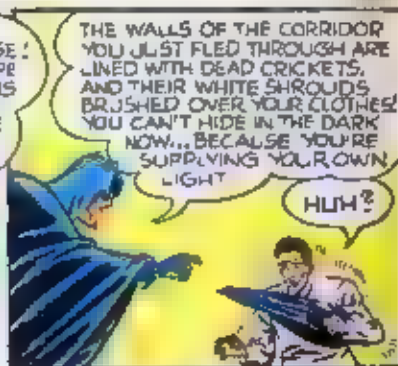


THANKS, CHUMP!





I WANTED THAT ECHO TO REACH YOU FOR A PURPOSE! YOU SEE... WHEN THE TYPE OF CRICKET FOUND IN THIS CAVE DIES, IT BECOMES COVERED WITH A WHITE FUNGUS THAT GROWS LAMINOLY.

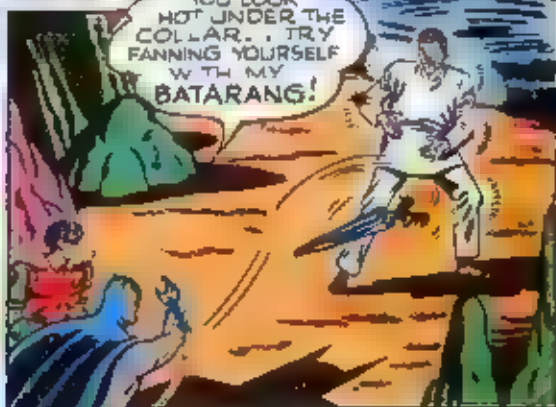


THE WALLS OF THE CORRIDOR YOU JUST FLED THROUGH ARE LINED WITH DEAD CRICKETS, AND THEIR WHITE SHROUDS BRUSHED OVER YOUR CLOTHES! YOU CAN'T HIDE IN THE DARK NOW... BECAUSE YOU'RE SUPPLYING YOUR OWN LIGHT

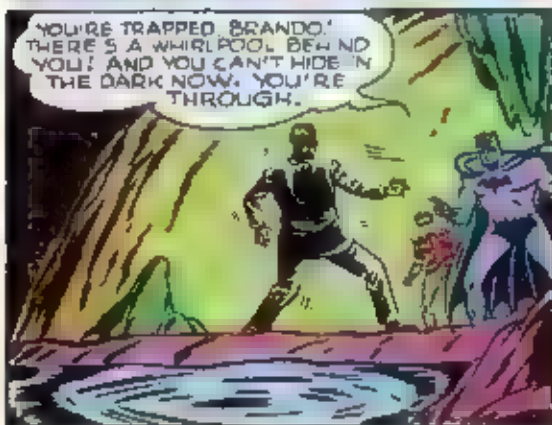
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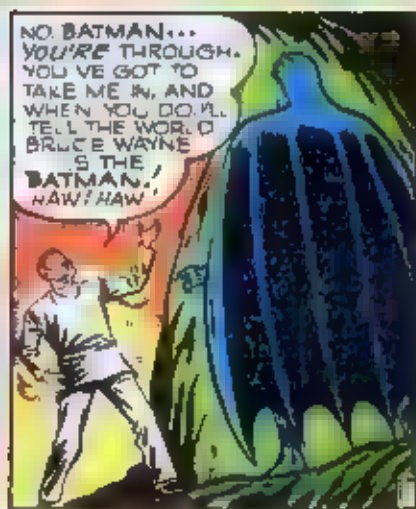
OKAY, WISE GUYS... WHO'S GONNA BE FIRST TO GET SCORCHED?



YOU LOOK HOT UNDER THE COLLAR... TRY FANNING YOURSELF WITH MY BATARANG!



YOU'RE TRAPPED, BRANDO! THERE'S A WHIRLPOOL BEHIND YOU! AND YOU CAN'T HIDE IN THE DARK NOW, YOU'RE THROUGH.



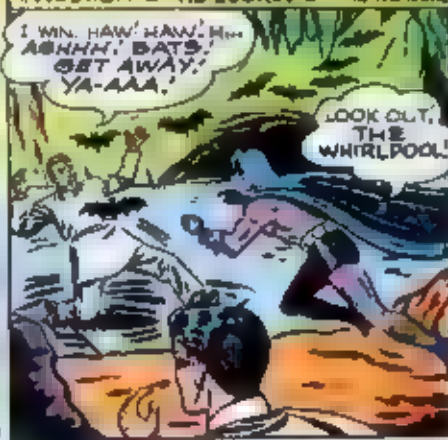
NO BATMAN... YOU'RE THROUGH. YOU'VE GOT TO TAKE ME IN, AND WHEN YOU DO, I'LL TELL THE WORLD BRUCE WAYNE IS THE BATMAN! HAW! HAW!



AS THE SHRIEKING LAUGHTER MOUNTS, ITS PIERCING ECHOES DISTURB SLEEPING BATS ON THE ROOF OF THE BATCAVE...



... AND AS THEY FLAP THEIR WINGS TO INVESTIGATE THE SOURCE OF THE NOISE...



TOO LATE. THE WATERS SWIFTLY CLOSE OVER THE HEAD OF THE RUTHLESS KILLER.



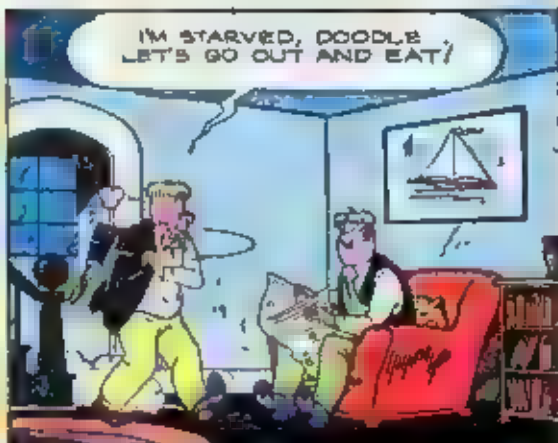
LATER, AS BATMAN REJOINS THE POLICE...

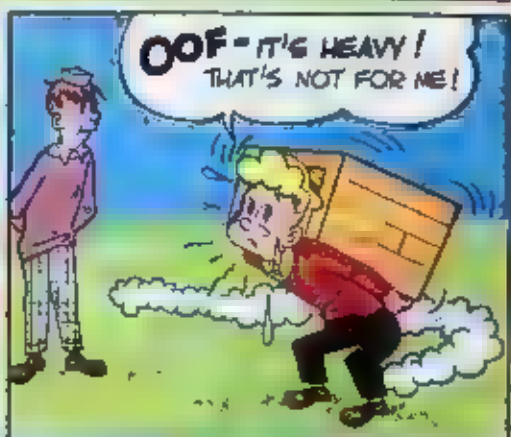
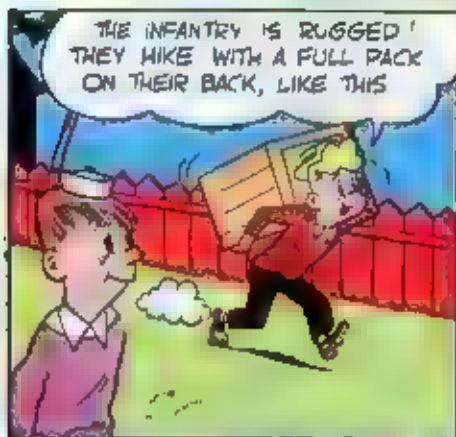
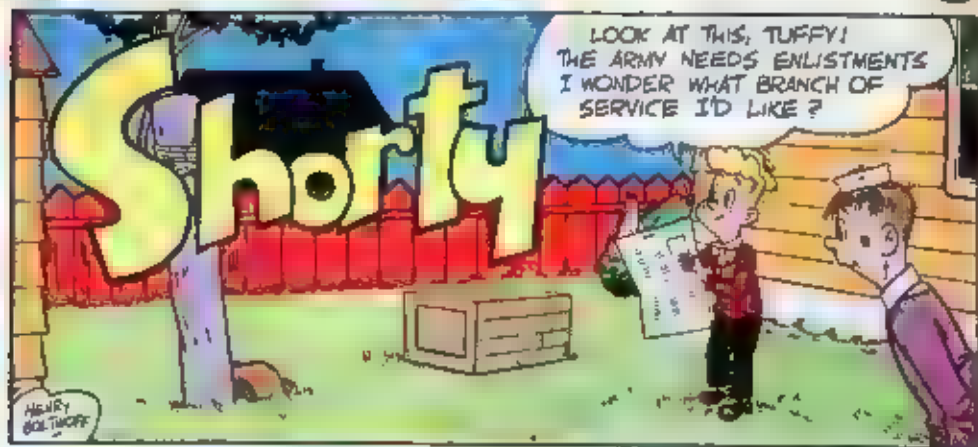


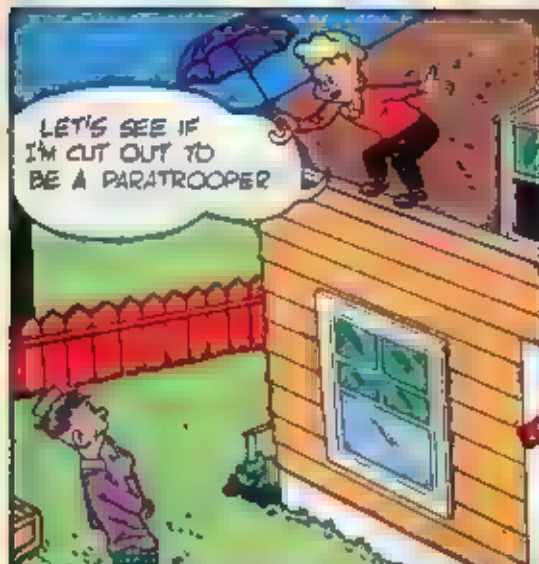
AFTERWARD...



Join the daring duo as they clash with crime in **DETECTIVE COMICS** and **WORLD'S FINEST COMICS**







LET'S SEE IF
I'M CUT OUT TO
BE A PARATROOPER



OUCH

NEXT DAY....



SAY, SHORTY-- DID YOU MAKE UP
YOUR MIND ABOUT WHAT YOU'D
LIKE TO BE IN
THE ARMY?



I GUESS I'LL THINK ABOUT
IT SOME MORE, TONIGHT!



MY MOM SAYS NEVER MIND ALL THAT --
I'D BETTER PRACTISE UP
ON MY K.P.!



BATMAN

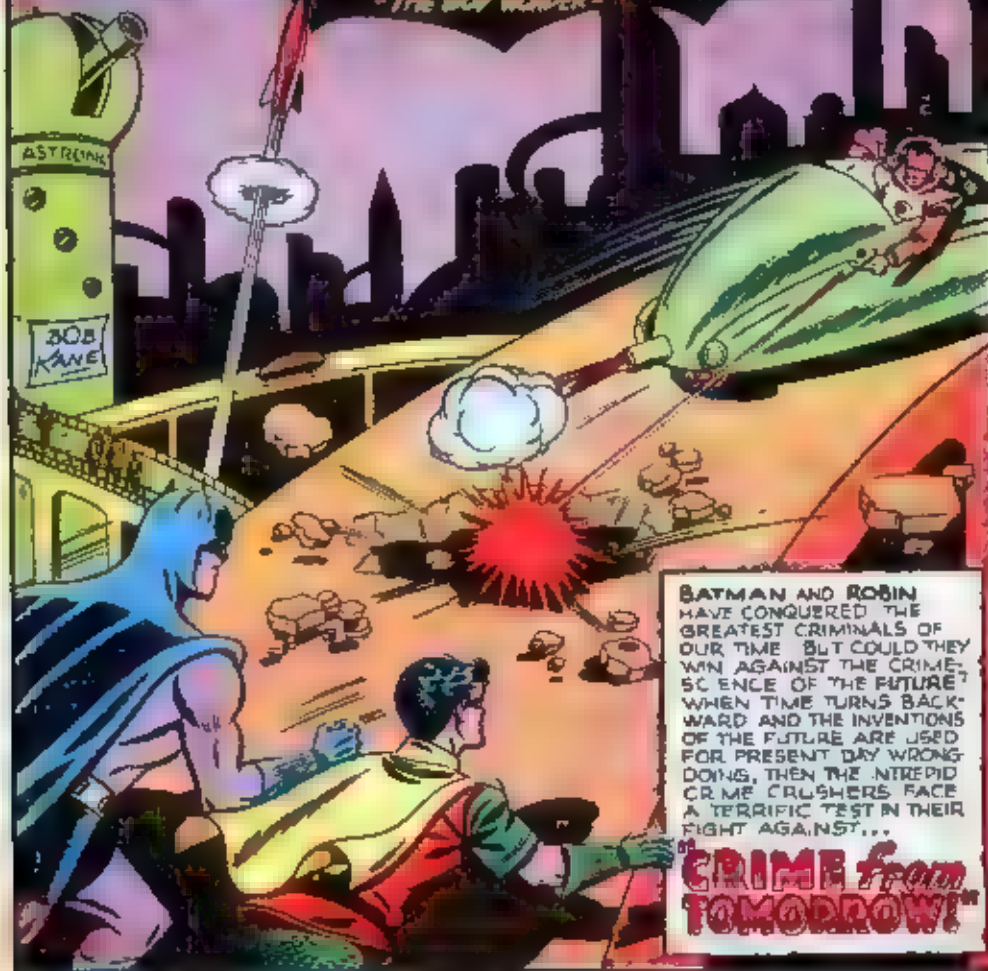


BATMAN

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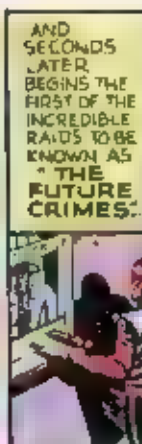
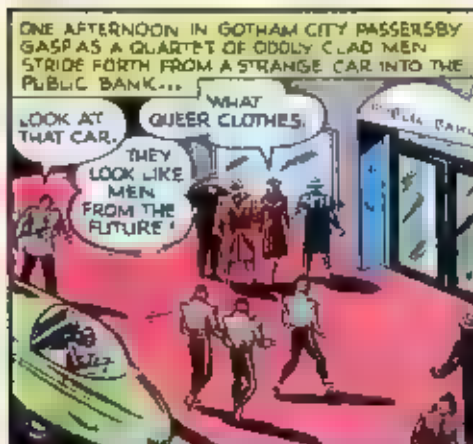
ROBIN

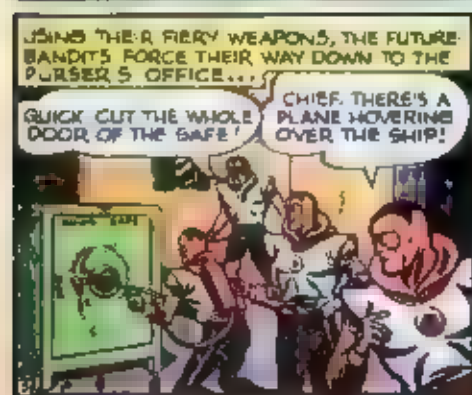
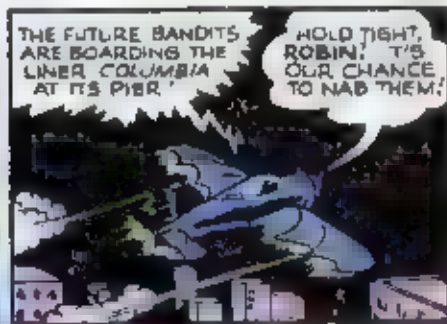
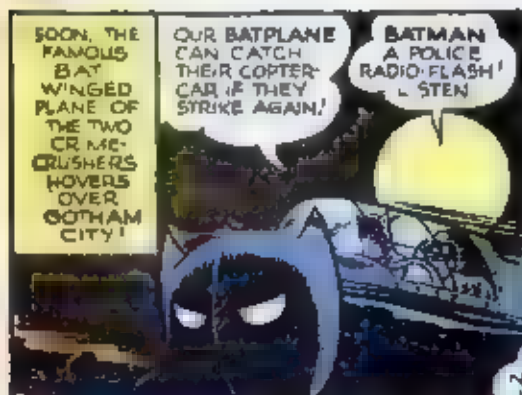
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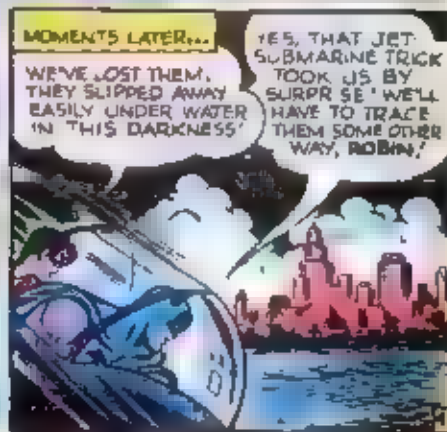
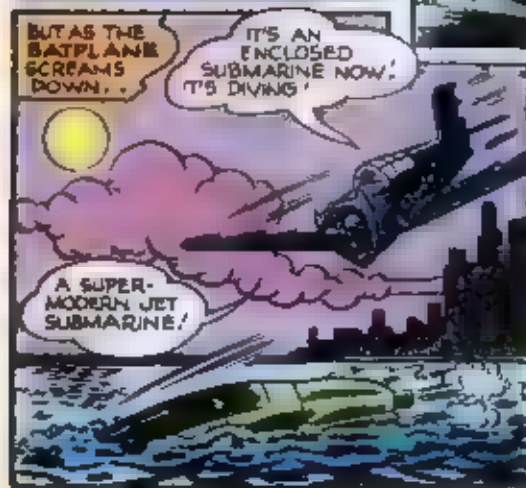
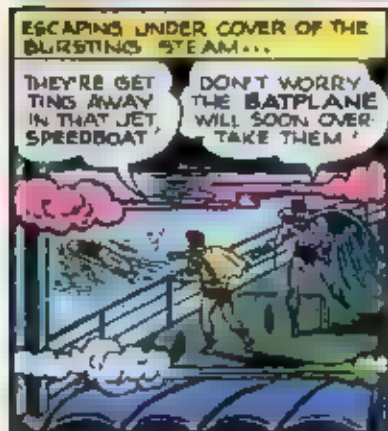
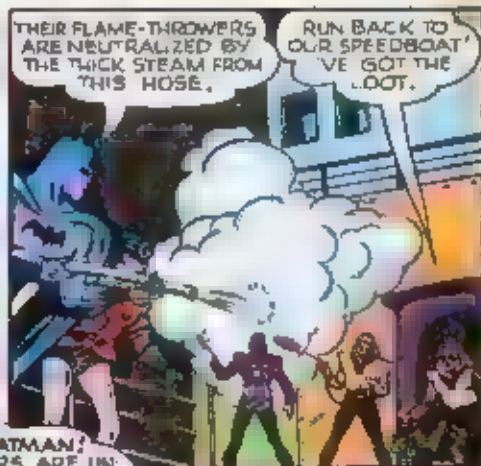
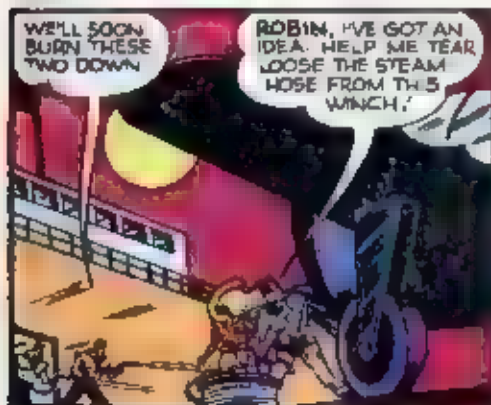


BATMAN AND ROBIN HAVE CONQUERED THE GREATEST CRIMINALS OF OUR TIME. BUT COULD THEY WIN AGAINST THE CRIME-SCIENCE OF THE FUTURE? WHEN TIME TURNS BACKWARD AND THE INVENTIONS OF THE FUTURE ARE USED FOR PRESENT DAY WRONGDOINGS, THEN THE INTREPID CRIME CRUSHERS FACE A TERRIFIC TEST IN THEIR FIGHT AGAINST...

CRIME FROM TOMORROW!









NEXT MORNING IN BATMAN'S SECRET

HAVE YOU FIGURED OUT ANY LEAD YET?

THAT JET SUBMARINE WOULD REQUIRE A SPECIAL JET MOTOR. IF THOSE BANDITS ARE FROM THE PRESENT, MAYBE WE CAN TRACE IT THROUGH THE MOTOR MANUFACTURERS!

THE QUEST ENDS IN FAILURE AT TWO JET MOTOR FACTORIES. BUT AT THE THIRD...

YES WE MADE SUCH A SPECIAL SUBMARINE JET MOTOR FOR JAMES JEWEL, THE INVENTOR!

THANKS

SOON IN THE INVENTOR'S WORKSHOP

YES, I INVENTED AND BUILT A SUBMERSIBLE JET SPEEDBOAT. BUT HOW DID YOU KNOW IT'S A SECRET?

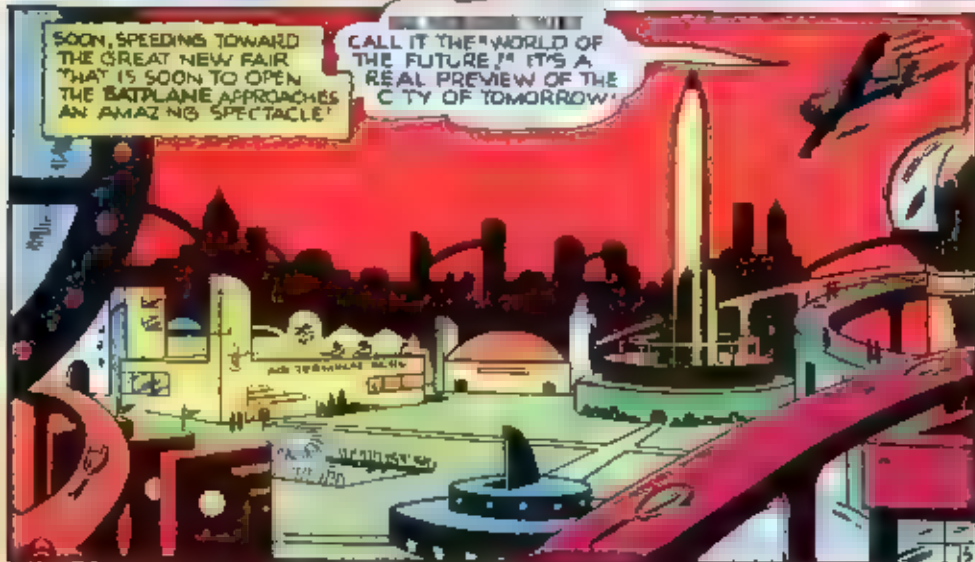
IT WAS USED FOR A BANDIT RAID YESTERDAY!

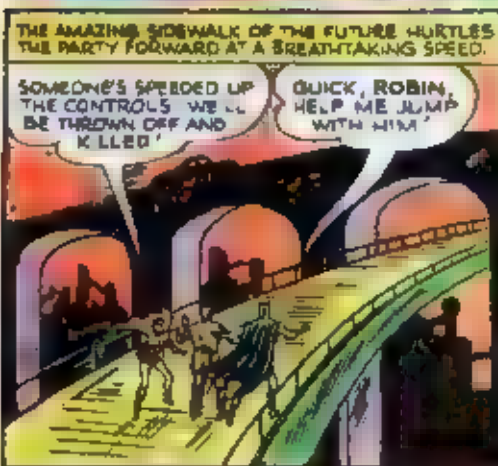
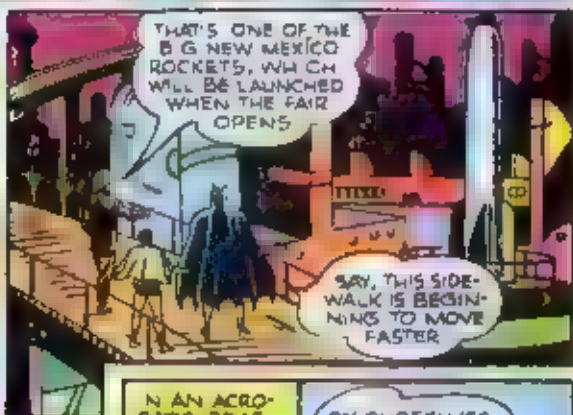
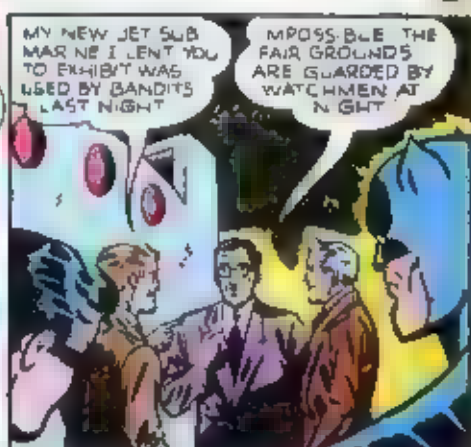
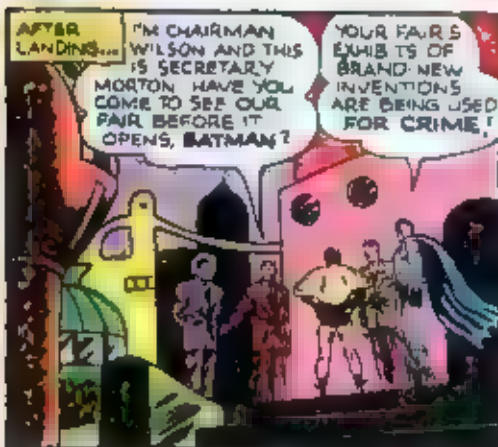
NO, THAT'S NOT POSSIBLE! MY JET-SUB IS AT THE NEW "WORLD OF THE FUTURE" FAIR. THAT'S TO OPEN SOON!

WE'LL SOON FIND OUT IF THAT'S SO. LET'S GO TO THE FAIR

SOON, SPEEDING TOWARD THE GREAT NEW FAIR THAT IS SOON TO OPEN, THE BATPLANE APPROACHES AN AMAZING SPECTACLE!

CALL IT THE "WORLD OF THE FUTURE!" IT'S A REAL PREVIEW OF THE CITY OF TOMORROW!







QUICK, ROBIN-
MAYBE WE
CAN CATCH
WHOEVER
TRIED THAT
TO KILL US!

THE
SIDEWALK
CONTROL
BUILDING IS
OVER THERE

HE GOT
AWAY
BEFORE
WE GOT
HERE!



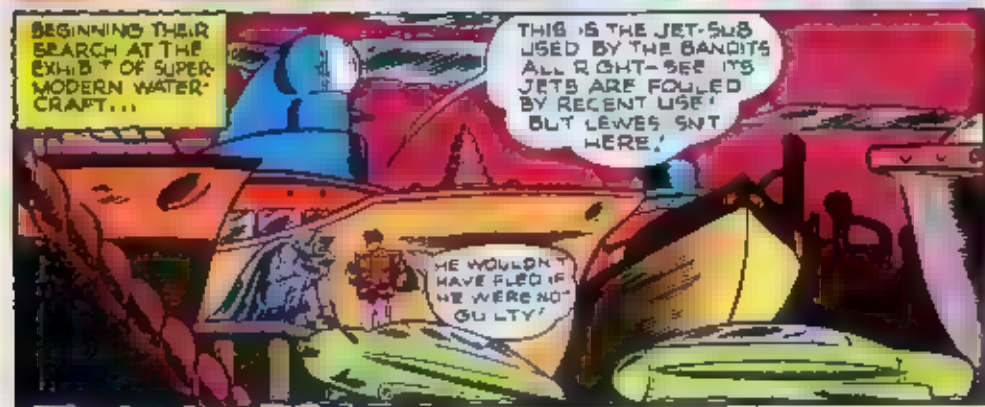
BUT IN THE NEARBY CONTROL
BUILDING

SOMEONE
SET THIS SIDEWALK
SPEED CONTROL
AHEAD TO THROW
US OFF AND KILL US.
WHERE'S LEWIS?



LEWIS HAS
DISAPPEARED!
AND HE KNEW
YOU WERE
GOING WITH
WILSON ON
THE MOVING-
SIDEWALK!

WE'LL
FIND
HIM
COME
ON,
ROBIN!



BEGINNING THEIR
SEARCH AT THE
EXHIBIT OF SUPER-
MODERN WATER-
CRAFT...

THIS IS THE JET-SUB
USED BY THE BANDITS
ALL RIGHT-SEE ITS
JETTS ARE FOLLO
BY RECENT USE!
BUT LEWIS SNT
HERE!

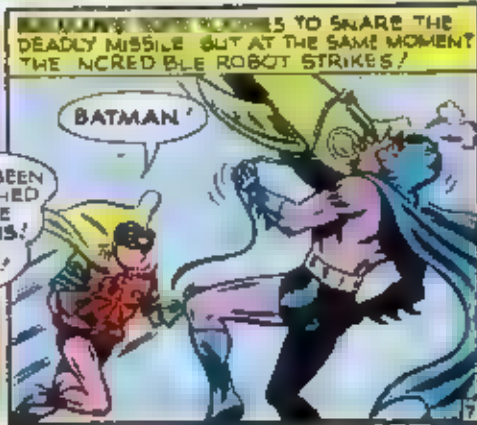
HE WOULDN'T
HAVE FLED IF
HE WERE NO
GUILTY!



SUDDENLY, FANTASTIC MENACE
STRIKES FROM THE SKY!

LOOK, IT'S A FLYING
TELEVISION CON-
TROLLED AERIAL
BOMBS USED IN
THE WAR!

IT'S BEEN
LAUNCHED
FROM SOME
WHERE AT US!
DOWN
ROBIN!



LEWIS'S ROBOT ARMES TO SNARE THE
DEADLY MISSILE BUT AT THE SAME MOMENT
THE INCREDIBLE ROBOT STRIKES!

BATMAN!



BATMAN'S STUNNED, BUT I CAN FOLLOW THE THING BACK TO THE CROOKS THIS WAY!



IF I CAN ONLY HANG ON TILL IT GETS BACK TO THE PERSON WHO CONTROLS IT!

MEANWHILE, AT THE SWITCHBOARD THAT CONTROLS THE FLYING ROBOT...

IT GOT BATMAN, BUT NOT THE BRAZ! HE'S HANGING ONTO THE ROBOT!



I'LL TAKE CARE OF HIM! HE WANTS TO COME HERE—HE SHALL COME WITH A RUSH!

OBEDIENT TO ITS MASTER, THE ROBOT FLASHES SWIFTLY BACK INTO THE CONTROL ROOM!

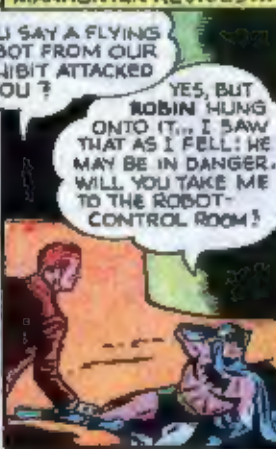
TIE HIM UP WHILE HE'S DAZED! NOW THAT HE AND BATMAN ARE OUT OF THE WAY, WE'LL PREPARE FOR OUR LAST BIG RAID.



PRESENTLY, WHEN THE CAPED MANHUNTER REVIVES...

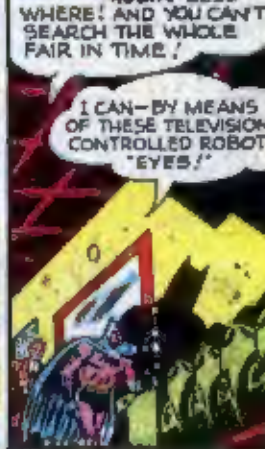
YOU SAY A FLYING ROBOT FROM OUR EXHIBIT ATTACKED YOU?

YES, BUT ROBIN HUNG ONTO IT... I SAW THAT AS I FELL! HE MAY BE IN DANGER. WILL YOU TAKE ME TO THE ROBOT-CONTROL ROOM?



SOON... THEY'VE TAKEN ROBIN ELSEWHERE! AND YOU CAN'T SEARCH THE WHOLE FAIR IN TIME!

I CAN—BY MEANS OF THESE TELEVISION-CONTROLLED ROBOT "EYES!"



THE ROBOT "EYES" ARE LAUNCHED AND, VIA TELEVISION, BATMAN TRACES THEIR COURSE AS HE CONDUCTS HIS SEARCH.

THEY'RE NOT NEAR THE BIG ROCKET! I'VE GOT TO KEEP LOOKING!



WHILE ACROSS THE FANTASTIC FUTURE-CITY...



THESE GREEN MINT PLANTS ARE MY ONLY WAY TO LEAVE A CLUE.

GET OUR COPTER-CARS ABOARD QUICK, BEFORE BATMAN'S ROBOT-SEARCHERS FIND US!



OUR RADIO-CONTROLLED MACHINES WILL GIVE GOTHAM CITY A BIG SURPRISE!

IF I COULD ONLY WARN BATMAN WHAT THEY'RE PLANNING!



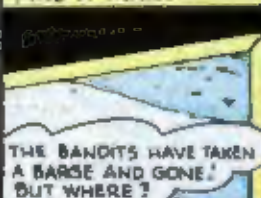
AND PRESENTLY A CRAFT PACKED WITH MENACE MOVES DOWN RIVER...

THEY WON'T HAVE A CHANCE OF STOPPING US IN GOTHAM CITY!



IT WILL BE THE BIGGEST LOOTING JOB OF ALL TIME!

MEANWHILE, BATMAN'S FLYING-ROBOT "EYES" FIND A TRAIL!



THE BANDITS HAVE TAKEN A BARGE AND GONE! BUT WHERE?

ROBIN MUST HAVE LEFT THAT TRAIL OF MINT-LEAVES AS A CLUE! MINT! IT CAN ONLY MEAN ONE THING!

COMMISSIONER GORDON! THE FUTURE-BANDITS ARE COMING TO LOOT THE GOTHAM CITY MINT!

WE'LL BE WAITING FOR THEM!





AS DAWN BREAKS, AN
INCREDIBLE INVASION
STUNS THE METROPOLIS!

MACHINES WITH
NO DRIVERS!
THEY'RE RUNNING
WILD!

THEY'RE
HEADING FOR
THE MINT!

RADIO-CONTROLLED METAL MONSTERS WREAK
SWIFT DESTRUCTION!

CAN'T STOP
DRIVERLESS
MACHINES
WITH BULLETS!

THEY'RE RIPPING
OPEN THE WHOLE
MINT!

THE FUTURE-BANDITS
ARE IN THOSE COPTER-
CARS!

BUT THE
MACHINES ARE
DRIVING US
AWAY!

BUT AS A
BAT-WINGED
PLANE LANDS
NEARBY...

BATMAN, WE WERE
READY FOR THEM,
BUT WE CAN'T FACE
THOSE DRIVERLESS
MACHINES.

THEY'RE RADIO-
CONTROLLED BY
THE FUTURE-BANDITS!
THIS WAVE GEN-
ERATOR SHOULD
BREAK THEIR
CONTROL.

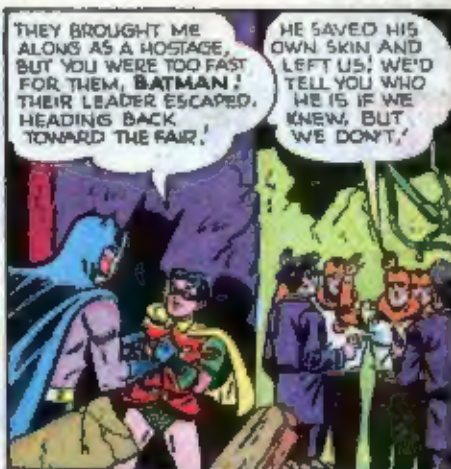
THE
MACHINES
ARE
RUNNING
WILD NOW!

I BROKE THE BANDITS'
RADIO-CONTROL BY
BROADCASTING STATIC
INTERFERENCE, NOW
WE CAN GO IN AFTER
THEM!



I'M GETTING AWAY IN THIS REMAINING COPTER-CAR WHILE I CAN!

THE MACHINES ARE OUT OF CONTROL AND THE POLICE ARE COMING IN! YOU'RE NOT GOING TO DESERT US?



THEY BROUGHT ME ALONG AS A HOSTAGE, BUT YOU WERE TOO FAST FOR THEM, BATMAN! THEIR LEADER ESCAPED, HEADING BACK TOWARD THE FAIR!

HE SAVED HIS OWN SKIN AND LEFT US! WE'D TELL YOU WHO HE IS IF WE KNEW, BUT WE DON'T!



THE BATPLANE SCREAMS THROUGH THE SKY IN SWIFT PURSUIT, AND...

HE JUST LANDED! THERE HE GOES, BATMAN!

LET'S GO DOWN AND GO AFTER HIM!

BUT A CRAFTY CROOK MAKES GOOD USE OF HIS START!

HE GOT AWAY! HE LEFT HIS COSTUME AND DISGUISE-GOGGLES BEHIND SO WE STILL DON'T KNOW WHO HE IS!

ON THE CONTRARY! THE GOGGLES ARE GROUND LENSES. AND THAT FACT PROVES HIS IDENTITY!

DID YOU FIND THE LEADER OF THE GANG?

YES I DID. IT'S YOU, MORTON!

ONLY YOU AND LEWIS KNEW WE TOOK THAT MOVING-SIDE-WALK, SO IT HAD TO BE ONE OF YOU TWO! LEWIS DOESN'T WEAR SPECTACLES, BUT YOU DO—WHICH IS WHY YOUR GOGGLES HAVE LENSES GROUND INTO THEM!

I'VE AN IDEA THAT THIS FUTURE-BANDIT'S FUTURE IS BEHIND BARS, FROM NOW ON!